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Texas reels after Ike

Rescue teams scoured rubble and searched flooded homes yesterday in a huge rescue effort after Hurricane Ike cut a swathe of destruction through Texas, knocking out power for millions of people.

State and local officials urged the federal government to speed relief efforts, complaining that crucial supplies like ice and water were arriving too slowly. Some 2 million people fled the region ahead of the storm while about 2,000 were rescued from flooded areas.

"We expect FEMA to deliver these supplies, and we will hold them accountable," a visibly frustrated Houston Mayor Bill White told a televised news conference, referring to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Ike plowed a destructive path through the state after slamming into the Texas coast early Saturday, shredding the island city of Galveston and moving inland to pound Houston, the heart of the U.S. oil industry.

Reuters energy correspondent Erwin Seba reported that 12 of the 15 Texas oil refineries shut as a precaution showed no visible signs of flooding or damage — a sign fuel production could resume more quickly than initially thought. However, power outages could still hinder their resumption. REUTERS

Rescue and cleanup

- Local officials said rescue crews found at least three bodies on Galveston, an island city of 60,000.
- U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff acknowledged a delay in distribution but said 80 trucks carrying food and ice would arrive Sunday night.
- Clean-up operations continued in Houston but there was no chance that the city, a bustling energy centre, would be back to business as usual today.
- The two major airports servicing Houston were to reopen on a limited basis after closing Friday.

Blitz results in 39 charges

DOWNTOWN A crackdown on unruly behaviour downtown over the weekend resulted in 39 criminal charges laid and 495 tickets handed out by police agencies in the city.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Ottawa police, the city's bylaw services, OC Transpo Special Constables and the Ontario Alcohol Gaming Commission, conducted a zero-tolerance enforcement blitz in Sandy Hill, the ByWard Market and the Vanier area.

Officers were targeting alcohol related offences, unruly behaviour and ensuring that licensed establishments were complying with their permits. METRO OTTAWA

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Firefighters' Memorial

Father's legacy

CHRISTOPHER PIKE/REUTERS

Casidy Mann, 5, daughter of Toronto firefighter Richard Mann, tries on her father's helmet during the National Memorial Day for fallen firefighters on Parliament Hill yesterday. Mann died from a work-related illness on April 1, 2004.

Advisory lifted for Ottawa over Ike fallout

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Ottawa may have just barely avoided getting soaked by the remnants of Hurricane Ike. Some parts of Ontario were forecasted to get as much as 75 mm of rain last night, but Environment Canada lifted a rainfall advisory for Ottawa late yesterday afternoon.

Around 5 p.m. yesterday Severe Weather Meteorologist Arnold Ashton with Environment Canada said they were predicting Ottawa would be on the fringe of the storm, getting between 20 – 30 mm during a relatively short, but intense rainfall in the evening.

"We're looking at a three or four-hour time frame of some pretty heavy rain," he said. "It's not a long duration event, thanks to Ike moving at 80 km per hour, but it is going to come down pretty hard. Especially at areas northwest of Ottawa."

He said around 40 or 50 km north and west of Ottawa were expected to get around 50 mm.

Once this storm passes things should return to fair autumn weather, said Ashton. Today and tomorrow are expected to be chilly, but by Wednesday and Thursday temperatures should be in the 20s.

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Off-duty OPP officer extricated from vehicle after rollover
The officer was driving an unmarked police vehicle westbound on County Road 17 when he tried to pass another driver at the same time as another motorist. The officer lost control and veered into the ditch. He was airlifted to Ottawa Hospital and released yesterday with minor injuries. ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE

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Wanted: A few good turkeys

The Ottawa Mission is asking the community for donations of large, frozen turkeys, preferably between 20 to 25 pounds each, as it prepares to serve an estimated 2,200 meals to those who are homeless, poor or alone at a special Thanksgiving Dinner next month. They can be dropped off at The Ottawa Mission at 35 Waller Street or arrangements can be made to pick them up by calling 613-234-1144. The Mission's Thanksgiving Dinner is held Oct. 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. OTTAWA MISSION

Annual Terry Fox run is an inspiration for survivor

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Four years ago, Ottawa resident Thane Eisener was diagnosed with osteogenic sarcoma.

News of the disease — which took the life of Terry Fox more than 20 years earlier — scared Eisener.

He underwent surgery to remove eight inches of femur and several quadriceps muscles in his right leg.

Now a 37-year-old cancer survivor, the father of two considers himself lucky. "I wouldn't have been able to keep my leg 25 years ago," said Eisener. "You were pretty much guaranteed to have an amputation."

Over the past few years, Eisener has a found a way to raise money and awareness for cancer research — an avid runner, he led more than 65 friends and family in a team called Thane's Thigh Memorial at the Ottawa Terry Fox Run at Carleton University yesterday.

In its 28th year, the run has over 230 event locations provincewide, including four in the Ottawa area, which benefits the Ottawa Health Research Institute and CHEO locally.

ETIENNE RANGER/FOR METRO OTTAWA

Runners, reflected in puddles, brave the rain in the 28th annual Terry Fox Run at Carleton University yesterday.

The biggest event at Anniversary Park was attended by 2,000 participants and brought in $220,000, said Ottawa Terry Fox Run co-chair Jerri Southcott.

Yesterday's rain didn't seem to have an effect on turnout, she said. "We were really happy with the results."

For a lot of participants, the event is tradition, she said.

"This is something people do every year," she said. "A lot of people have been coming here for 20 years. Terry Fox's accomplishments are legacy."

Dan Dubeau and his wife, Karin, came dressed for the rain with their nephew, Ben and daughter, Annika.

"I did it in grade school and now, it's something we do as a family," said Dubeau, who raised pledge money from family and friends and through Facebook. "It's an inspiration."

While Ottawa resident Stephen Knox ran the 10 km, his wife, Sandra Harris, accompanied him by bike.

"We have people close to us who died of cancer," said Harris, who has participated before in the past.

Since the event began, more than $400-million has been raised worldwide.

Citizen LRT input crucial: Mayor

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A plan to build light rail going east and south first is the most attractive scenario for Mayor Larry O'Brien, but public input is still crucial in the coming weeks.

"No matter how smart we think we are when we're doing this, we are never as smart as 877,000 people. It's very important for us now to listen to the public," he said. "People should look at the details of the plans and comment on it what it means to them, but focus on scenarios one and three."

"No matter how smart we think we are when we're doing this, we are never as smart as 877,000 people."
Mayor Larry O'Brien

Of the four scenarios presented by city staff last week, the first and third have rail going east and south, while two and four propose a western corridor first.

O'Brien said the city is still negotiating with the National Capital Committee over whether or not they will be able to use the Western Parkway as a light rail line.

"They haven't said yes, they haven't said no, but they've asked some reasonable questions and we're going to work with them to answer those questions," he said.

Until that's settled, he said they should focus on areas they can build within the window for using the $200-million provincial and federal funding packages reserved for the previously cancelled north-south line.

Each of the four proposed phase one scenarios runs between $1.9 and $2.6 billion.

O'Brien said the city can afford to pay one third of a project up to $2.8 billion and both higher levels of government have said there is money available if the plan is right.

Scenario Three is the most expensive, but it is also the most attractive. Building south and east would get the largest piece of the rapid transit network in place earliest, leaving only the problematic western corridor.

Even though the west part of the city would not see tracks for the next decade, O'Brien said it is not as if they will not be completely ignored.

During that time, the Transitway will be completed, leading to a significant increase in service and the province is still completing a massive expansion of the 417 that should ease a lot of congestion on the 417.

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What's online today.

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Eating locally at Feast of Fields

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Rising gas prices and recurring stories about contaminated meat, tomatoes and spinach have more and more people asking how their food is produced and where it came from.

Hundreds of people attended the Feast of Fields at Vincent Massey Park yesterday to see what 25 of Ottawa's top chefs could do when teamed with local, organic producers.

The growing interest in locally grown food has created a growing market and the Feast of Fields is an inexpensive place for people to learn what Ottawa has to offer, explained organizing committee member Janet Mrenica.

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

Melanie Gosselin, a chef de partie for ARC, the Hotel, prepares appetizers yesterday.

"If people wanted to go to the 25 restaurants, it's going to cost them a little bit of money," she said. "Here we provide them with the opportunity to taste the whole spectrum of restaurants and products of farmers they wouldn't otherwise taste."

Deb Salisbury, of Natural Lamb, said she has noticed people asking more specific questions about how her lambs were raised, what they were fed and how they were killed.

"We're very fortunate to be doing this at this time because people are very concerned about what they are eating and all these food scares are not coming from the local farmers or church groups," she said.

Since Dana Michaels moved to Ottawa, she's been a regular patron of local farmers markets.

"There is nothing like picking it and eating it right away and you can't get that at supermarkets," said Michaels.

Liberals complaining Tory flyers are misuse of funds

POLITICS The Liberal candidate in Ottawa West-Nepean is calling for an investigation into MP John Baird's election spending practices.

David Pratt, a former defence minister, is accusing Baird, the federal environment minister, of misusing flyers sent to constituents by attacking the Liberals.

He said it creates an unfair political advantage using taxpayers' money.

"These flyers have absolutely nothing to do with government programs and initiatives, or his actions as an MP," Pratt said on the weekend.

"They are instead flagrantly and aggressively political and in some cases amount to nothing more than a reproduction of Conservative attack ads."

A Baird spokesperson said the flyers are legally within the parameters set for Members of Parliament.

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Heat, humidity set off false 'alarms'

City firefighters were kept busy yesterday morning as heat and humidity set off smoke and carbon monoxide detectors all over the downtown area. The fire department answered approximately 50 calls for service at commercial businesses and residences. METRO OTTAWA

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City's voice lost in rail talk

OnTrack

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Rub a dub dub, three bureaucracies in a tub. Squeezed in between the feds and the NCC, it's a miracle the city of Ottawa has any room to move at all in the 613, never mind run a train through it.

Ottawa Centre riding federal politicians voiced their opposition to running the proposed light rail along the current Transitway stretch of the parkway.

Ms. Collenette said she would gulp if the proposal passed, Mr. McGarry said he would have to be dead first, and MP Mr. Dewar expressed the horror of his constituents, saying, "They want a buffer there so there is no impact on the river and the greenspace."

I'm assuming the only "buffer" residents will accept is the four-lane strip of tarmac affectionately known as the Ottawa River Parkway. Originally designed as a scenic route, it now functions primarily as a downtown commuter artery for west-end residents, where speed limits are routinely ignored and the air is always scented with exhaust fumes.

But hey, this is NCC land and it's their call. For its part, the commission wants every other option exhausted before they'll consider giving permission to run light rail along the route.

Apparently they can accept 250 diesel buses per hour currently bombing down the parkway, but a clean, quiet train has them puzzled. Which means three years of environmental assessments, consultations, studies, open houses, possible expropriation, and so on—all at a cost to the city—before the NCC can render its verdict.

And then there's council itself. Coun. Christine Leadman says that by selecting the parkway for its light rail plans, the city staff "made a huge assumption."

Uh, yeah, and a pretty reasonable assumption, I'd say. An assumption based on the existing infrastructure — the Transitway runs along a segment of the parkway and has done so for a really, really long time. An assumption based on environmental studies — buses are not the ideal green option for public transit, and if one wants to protect the pristine environment of the parkway as Mr. Dewar's constituents claim they do, then light rail is actually trading up.

Ottawa city councillors! Present a united front to the feds and the NCC to keep this plan moving forward, because at the end of the day it falls to you guys to make room for Ottawa citizens in this tub.

Nadine Doolittle is an award-winning writer and a public transit user for the past 35 years.

Man wanted for breaching parole

Daniel Arthur Leeson

The Repeat Offender Parole Enforcement Squad is requesting the public's assistance in locating a federal offender wanted on a Canadawide warrant as a result of his breach of parole.

Daniel Arthur Leeson is believed to be in eastern Ontario or Toronto. He is serving a two-year sentence for break and enter, arson causing damage to property, fail to attend court, fail/refuse to provide breath sample, and drive while impaired.

He is described as 46 years old, white, 5'8", 179 pounds, with brown eyes and long, curly brown hair. He has a distinct scar on his nose.

Anyone with information is asked to call 1-866-870-ROPE (7673) or Crime Stoppers at 1-888-222-TIPS. METRO OTTAWA

News in brief

CRIME Ottawa police are investigating a home-invasion style robbery that occurred in the city's west end on Thursday. At approximately 10:25 p.m., three suspects, armed with a handgun and a knife, entered a residence on Pickford Drive. Once inside the home, the suspects demanded cash and eventually stole a television, a laptop and some cash. METRO OTTAWA

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Airport expansion delayed

The Kwanlin Dun First Nation in Whitehorse has won an injunction that halts the opening of tenders for construction work at the city's airport. The ruling has now delayed the $15-million airport expansion indefinitely, while lawyers for the Kwanlin Dun make their case before a trial judge. SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

Charest wants funding freedom

Premier Jean Charest is demanding the federal parties promise to negotiate an agreement that gives Quebec freedom to manage federally-funded cultural investments in the province. Charest, speaking to a construction group in Quebec also wants to reinstate cultural funding that was cut by Stephen Harper and return funding to non-profit organizations that are active in economic development.

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Clampdown brings out party animals: Cops

The trouble with police clampdowns on rowdy student parties is that the more charges you lay, the more headlines attract the party animals, as they're discovering this month around London's Fanshawe College.

"Once you get that reputation for parties — they're now calling it Fun-shawe —the message seems to be 'Come and party,'" said London Police Chief Murray Faulkner.

His officers laid a staggering 685 charges in the first two weeks of school for noise and liquor infractions, for bonfires and fighting — and even kicking a cat so hard it had to be put down. In this zero-tolerance blitz, nearly 200 of those charged were not students. Campuses around the world are scrambling for new ways to fight age-old Town-and-Gown tensions that can erupt in mid-sized university towns where students are clustered together.

"We hear from officials with the same problems in Italy, New Zealand, Germany, the United States, the U.K. — wherever large groups of people at the same stage in life are spreading their wings and experimenting," said association past president Kaye Crawford, manager of community relations for the city of Waterloo, which has the highest student-to-citizen ratio in Canada.

Flyers reminding students of local bylaws and increased policing are two deterrents used by the schools. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

money and polls

- McMaster University spends about $40,000 per year to hire off-duty police officers to patrol student neighbourhoods
- Pollsters refuse to conduct student drinking polls during the Fall because the numbers are inflated, they say.

Search for sick kid ends in tense police standoff

MALNOURISHED A 9-month-old baby is being treated for malnutrition at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto today, nearly a week after police began searching for the child and his parents, members of an obscure Moorish-American religious sect that doesn't believe in traditional medicine.

But it took the Emergency Task Force to get him there.

The parents, who fled with the child after refusing treatment at the hospital last Wednesday, returned to Sick Kids with the boy yesterday after nearly five days in hiding.

The child's young mom and dad said they returned out of concern for the boy's health, and because of an intense police search for them.

But when hospital officials and the Children's Aid Society insisted on treatment, the mother backed off and wanted to leave with the child.

That led to a two-hour standoff at the hospital, with the mother refusing to hand over the child and authorities refusing to let the family leave.

The Emergency Task Force, which has negotiators trained for such situations, was also called in before the impasse ended with the arrest of the mother, father and a friend, Tameka Lawrence, all on obstruction of justice charges.

Last Friday, police issued a rare public alert for the mother and child, but not even her spiritual adviser could say where she was hiding out with the severely malnourished baby.

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11 The child, who weighs only 11 pounds — far short of the normal 20-odd pounds for a healthy baby of that age — is now in the custody of the Children's Aid Society.

Nova Scotia **Snow surprise**

DARRELL OAKE/METRO CANADA

Four-year-old Alexander Meade looks surprised as he plays with a snowball he made from the snow a Zamboni dropped off behind the rink at Cole Harbour Place this weekend in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. NHL star Sidney Crosby trains at the arena in the off season.

Withdrawal date sound, says MacKay

AFGHANISTAN Setting a date to end Canada's combat role in Afghanistan by 2011 is consistent with the will of Parliament Defence Minister Peter MacKay said yesterday and said it was not a signal that the country is going to "cut and run" from the mission, MacKay said the Afghan pullout, announced by Conservative leader Stephen Harper, was in line with a resolution passed last May, extending the mission past its original end date of 2009, CBC News reported.

Peter MacKay

Retired Canadian major-general Lewis Mackenzie suggested last week that publicly setting a date for pulling troops out of a war zone could embolden the Taliban.

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Protests held for resisters

VOTES Protesters gathered outside Edmonton City Hall this weekend, urging people to vote for parties supporting asylum for American soldiers who come to Canada to avoid fighting in the Iraq war, CBC News reported.

About 20 rallies from British Columbia to Newfoundland were held to support American soldiers seeking refugee status as conscientious objectors against the war in Iraq.

Protesters said the Conservatives are the only party that supports sending war resisters back to the U.S., while the opposition parties all supported a non-binding motion passed in the House of Commons in June to allow American war resisters to stay.

There are an estimated 200 U.S. war resisters in Canada. Pte. Robin Long, was the first to be deported.

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organizers

- The Edmonton rally was organized by the Council of Canadians and the Edmonton Coalition Against War and Racism.

Opposition bucking conservative trend: Harper
Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Saturday that his opponents in the federal election were failing to recognize that Canadians have become politically more conservative. REUTERS

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Halifax gas prices jump 12 cents a litre

PHILIP CROUCHER
for Metro Canada

Halifax drivers are still fuming one day after gas prices skyrocketed 12 cents a litre at stations throughout the city.

"I think it's pathetic," said Eastern Passage's Cynthia Connors as she filled up her Nissan Frontier truck at a nearby Esso station early yesterday afternoon. "It is price gouging."

Exactly at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, the Nova Scotia government invoked its "interrupter clause" in response to Hurricane Ike and its affect on gasoline supplies in North America. The province, which uses a regulated system in setting prices, matched similar increases across the country from a day earlier and raised the price by over 12 cents.

In Halifax, the price for regular self serve has jumped from just under $1.31 per litre to just more than $1.43.

High gas prices have left people fuming.

Normally, gas prices are set each Friday, but the "interrupter clause" can be used in case of extreme market conditions.

In the wake of Hurricane Ike, which made landfall in Texas on Saturday, several major oil refineries in the Gulf Coast of the United States shut down operations, causing gas prices to shoot up.

"I absolutely think they're trying to make a quick buck," Digby's Barry Kendall said of the oil companies as he put gas into his Chevrolet HHR. "There's no way something that is just happening should affect our prices so quickly."

Connors spent $80 to fill-up her truck, which was about a quarter-full. Connors was heading to Port Hawkesbury where she attends school during the week.

"I won't be coming home every weekend now," she proclaimed. "Every three weekends, maybe."

Initial reports say the refineries in the path of Ike received limited damage, but it's unclear when they will be back in working order.

It's also unclear when, and if, prices will come down as a result.

"I expect it will be nice and slow," Kendall said.

Newfoundland **Protester arrested at Tory rally**

CHRIS WATTIE/REUTERS

RCMP officers arrest and escort an unidentified man from a campaign rally for Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Harbour Grace, Nfld., on Saturday.

Spelling bee winner makes mom proud

KRISTA SYLVESTER
for Metro Canada

Her daughter was already a winner in her eyes, but a Calgary mother is beaming with national pride after her spelling bee whiz kid won the regionals this weekend.

Before 10-year-old Preetha Gopalakrishnan joined 15 other regional qualifiers in Vancouver to face-off for Canada's Super Speller, her mother Narayani knew she had it in her to win.

"There was no pressure on her to win. I was just so excited for her to be there. She has always been internalizing the words and is a natural," her mother said.

Narayani said she can't describe the excitement she felt when it came down to a tight race with only one point separating her daughter and her nearest competitor. Preetha eventually came out on top.

"Oh, I was totally ecstatic, totally ecstatic. I'm filled with so much joy, pride and it feels awfully good."

And Preetha was delighted, too.

"I wasn't nervous, just really excited. I thought, 'Wow, this is incredible. I just won,'" Preetha said.

Now that she won the regional portion of the competition, Preetha will be heading to Nova Scotia for the finals and a chance to win a $20,000 RESP.

Where the leaders are today
Stephen Harper — Ottawa, London, Ont.; Stéphane Dion — St. John's, N.L.; Jack Layton — Halifax, Dartmouth, N.S.; Gilles Duceppe — Senneterre, Rouyn-Noranda, Chibougamau; Elizabeth May — New Glasgow, Pictou, N.S. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Backwards – the way to read an ad

How you say something, especially on TV, can be even more important than what you say

MIKE TENNANT
for Metro Canada

News analysis

One of the best ways to interpret advertising, election or otherwise, is to learn to read an ad backwards — or sdrawkcab, for those who already possess the skill.

To that end, let me teach you a little game I've learned after 25 years in the marketing business. When you first see a campaign ad, go backwards in your mind and imagine yourself at the meeting where it was first conceived. Now imagine someone presenting the "brief": A document outlining the need for the ad and its specific objective. The content of an ad brief is usually a jealously guarded secret, which makes the guessing game all the more fun.

I'll show you what I mean: Consider a Conservative ad running this past week, featuring a Stephen Harper monologue. He's talking about ... well ... for our purpose it doesn't matter because an essential part of so many TV ads is unspoken. Herein lies one of the poorest-kept secrets in my trade: How you say something, especially in a TV ad, can be as important — even more important — than what you say.

The ad opens on the prime minister in a wing chair in a homey environment. He's wearing a light blue shirt and a dark sweater vest. The colour of his eyes evokes memories of Lake Louise in June. He's leaning forward in a heart-to-heart manner; his tone is soft and friendly. An occasional downward glance suggests he's searching his heart — if not the carpet fibres — for just the right words. Most importantly, we hear a touchy-feely piano track, the kind that screams, "Please, someone, hug me!"

Now, work backwards with me to the meeting that first begat the Harper ad. I'll bet the brief presented that day might have read something like this:

Required: 30-second TV ad. Objective: Portray the PM as warm, human, emotional. Background: Designed to soften the opposition-inspired image of the PM as an iceman-ideologue, more interested in policy abstractions than in people and what affects them personally. Ad should reveal warmth within PM's often cool-looking exterior. Wardrobe note: Go with a dark sweater vest — it's slimming.

The trick to this game is remembering that every ad is about solving a problem. By seeing a campaign ad as a solution, you can usually work backwards, and deduce the problem that inspired it. If nothing else, it's a nifty way to sneak a look inside a party's campaign playbook.

Mike Tennant is a freelance ad writer and co-creator/writer of Terry O'Reilly and the Age of Persuasion on CBC Radio One.

On the web

- See www.conservative.ca/EN/4579/102760 for the Stephen Harper ad referred to in Mike Tennant's column.

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The makeup of Parliament

TRIVIA Canada's Parliament consists of the Queen of Canada, who is represented by the Governor General, the Senate, whose members are appointed by the Governor General on the recommendation of the prime minister, and the House of Commons, whose members are chosen by eligible citizens through federal elections.

ELECTIONS CANADA

News in brief

TRAVEL The Jack Layton campaign criss-crossed the nation this past week flying a total of 22.8 hours, or 13,484 kilometres, and landed in 11 cities stretching from Vancouver to St. John's. The New Democratic Party leader visited six provinces and one territory.

VOTES In 2006, 14,908,703 votes were cast. More than 1,561,039 voters cast their ballots at more than 3,371 polling stations on the three days of advance voting before election day.

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29 days remain until the 2008 Canadian federal election

Election 2008

Working families on Harper's agenda

PM expected to make announcement today

Stephen Harper takes his campaign into the key battlegrounds of Ontario and Quebec this week, promising to step up attacks on the NDP and the Green party.

The prime minister kicks off Week 2 of the campaign in the nation's capital this morning before heading to southwestern Ontario where he's expected to make a series of "affordable" announcements aimed at "improving the quality of life for working families," a party strategist said yesterday.

And expect Harper to sprinkle his daily speeches with criticisms of the Green party and the New Democrats, a Conservative strategist said.

That's a response to what he claims is a shift in popular support away from the Liberals to these two other parties in the campaign's early days.

"They're beginning to challenge the Liberals as our prime opponent in a number of key areas," the strategist told reporters yesterday. "Liberal support seems to be gravitating to the other two opposition parties."

And he singled out NDP Leader Jack Layton in particular, saying the NDP — not the Liberals — have been serving as the official opposition to the government.

"While the Liberals were abstaining from votes and retreating in a number of issues, the NDP were standing firm," the strategist said.

"I think it has served them well," he said.

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Flying the friendly skies

• The verdict is in — reporters have christened Stephen Harper's campaign plane. The winning name is Sweater Vest Jet, a nod to Harper's carefully calculated image move this campaign to dress casually at some stops. The name beat out Fruit Fly, which was was in reference to Harper's response last week that he considered himself more of a fruit than a vegetable.

Dion puts rocky start behind him

Brushing aside the Liberal party's dismal showing in the polls, Stéphane Dion heads back out on the election trail today convinced he is running a campaign that may have winning potential.

Dion feels he has put his rocky start behind him.

"I'm very satisfied," he said in Vancouver on the weekend when reporters asked how he felt about his first week on the campaign trail. After a string of glaring Conservative gaffes and impressive turnouts at his events in Vancouver on Friday and Saturday, Dion appears much more upbeat and at ease as he addresses the public.

The challenge for Dion now is to keep hammering home his key messages, especially his complex and politically risky green plan.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Surprise

• Dion also has to find a way to better connect personally with voters. By the end of last week, his more relaxed, friendly demeanour was surprising audiences expecting to hear from a stuffy policy wonk.

PATRICK DOYLE/REUTERS

Supporters applaud NDP Leader Jack Layton as he speaks at a brunch yesterday in Gatineau, Que.

Layton will continue to hound Harper

NDP Leader Jack Layton will ratchet up his attack on Prime Minister Stephen Harper in the second week of the campaign in addition to making cornerstone announcements on health care and poverty, a party spokesman says.

With Layton ahead of Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion in polls on who would be the best prime minister, party spokesman Brad Lavigne said the campaign is underscoring the need to make Harper the target, not Dion.

Layton emphasized that point yesterday, calling Harper's government a disaster on gender issues.

"Harper is a catastrophe for women in Canada."
Jack Layton

"(Harper) does not like the pursuit of equality for women," Layton said in French to 100 supporters at a restaurant in Gatineau, Que. "Harper is a catastrophe for women in Canada."

Layton pointed to the government's changes last year to groups funded by Status of Women Canada — changes that included deleting the word "equality" from funding criteria.

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And you save some more.

Bisphenol A draws mixed messages from U.S.

A Food and Drug Administration panel of outside experts is set to review the agency's report issued last month saying that the chemical bisphenol A, or BPA, which is used in plastic products, is safe. Critics argue the FDA has ignored strong evidence in animal studies that BPA is harmful. REUTERS

World/Business

Obama raises $66 million

U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama's fundraising machine rolls on with a record $66 million in August and 500,000 new donors added to the ranks, a campaign spokesman said yesterday.

Obama was running even or slightly behind his Republican rival John McCain in opinion polls but led him in the fundraising race through the summer.

Obama has decided not to take public funds for the final two months leading up to the Nov. 4 election so will need to spend some of that time raising cash. McCain is taking public financing so will receive $84 million from a government presidential election fund.

Obama spokesman Bill Burton said the August figure was helped by 500,000 new donors. The tally for the latest month exceeded the $55 million for February, which marked a record for the Illinois senator and an all-time high for any presidential candidate during a primary. REUTERS

Russian plane crash kills 88

DEATHS Engine failure caused an Aeroflot Boeing 737-500 plane to crash in Russia yesterday, killing all 88 people on board, officials said, dismissing fears of a terrorist attack.

The dead included 21 foreign nationals flying on the plane from Moscow to Perm in the Urals when it plunged into scrubland and railway on the edge of the city.

Aeroflot said it would pay compensation of 2 million roubles to relatives of the dead. REUTERS

West Bank **Israelis to leave?**

GIL COHEN MAGEN/REUTERS

An Israeli woman walks with her children in Ma'ale settlement near the West Bank city of Ramallah. Israel's vice-premier presented a proposal yesterday to pay thousands of Jewish settlers to leave their homes in the West Bank.

Business

Oil prices drop to six-month low

U.S. oil prices dropped more than $2 to a six-month low below $99 a barrel yesterday as dealers bet on a swift recovery of the nation's energy production after Hurricane Ike and the U.S. government loaned emergency oil to two refiners.

The losses add to a downwards trend in oil prices since July's peak of over $147 a barrel amid mounting evidence that high energy costs and a weakening economy are cutting into fuel consumption.

Oil prices were down $2.01 at $99.17 a barrel yesterday after falling as low as $98.55 — the lowest since Feb. 26.

Even as oil prices fell, gas prices at U.S. pumps shot up more than six cents to nearly $3.80 a gallon, adding to a five-cent increase yesterday as retail supply concerns mounted in Ike's wake. REUTERS

Refineries spared

- Twelve of the 15 Texas oil refineries shuttered ahead of Hurricane Ike showed no visible signs of flooding or damage in the storm's wake, a Reuters eyewitness said yesterday, meaning fuel production could resume more quickly than initially thought.

Google counting on Android

WIRELESS Google Inc. is hoping to revolutionize wireless Internet service on mobile phones the way that it transformed the search engine on PCs with its new Android software.

The Android phone is depending on independent software developers to build hundreds or even thousands of programs to run on Google software.

One of Google's challenges will be for web-page access to work on a mobile device as well as it does on a PC. The Android browser is built on the same technology as the new Google Chrome browser.

T-Mobile is expected to introduce the phone on Sept. 23. REUTERS

NOTICE - MEMBERS MEETING

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S. Ossetia invasion planned: Ex-minister

GEORGIA Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili had long planned a military strike to seize back the breakaway region of South Ossetia but executed it poorly, making it easy for Russia to retaliate, his ex-defence minister Irakly Okruashvili said, adding that Saakashvili's days as president are numbered. REUTERS

News in brief

BOLIVIA South American presidents are racing to prevent a deeper political crisis in Bolivia, where President Evo Morales has accused right-wing opponents of trying to topple him, but diplomacy may not be enough to avert more deadly protests. REUTERS

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Denver Broncos wide receiver Eddie Royal caught the game-winning touchdown, followed by catching a two-point conversion to give the Broncos a 39-38 win over the San Diego Chargers yesterday.

Royal reception

Two-point conversion leads Broncos to win

Eddie Royal caught the game-winning touchdown and two-point conversion late in the fourth quarter, as Jay Cutler engineered a John Elway-esque fourth-quarter drive to lead the Denver Broncos in a thrilling 39-38 victory over the San Diego Chargers in Week 2 action.

Cutler finished 36-of-50 passing for 350 yards, four touchdowns and an interception for the Broncos who snapped a four-game skid against the Chargers. Brandon Marshall caught 18 passes, two shy of the NFL single-game record, and went for 166 yards and a score.

Giants 41, Rams 13 — Eli Manning connected on 20-of-29 passes for 260 yards and three touchdowns.

Colts 18, Vikings 15 — Adam Vinatieri's 47-yard field goal with three seconds left lifted Indianapolis over Minnesota.

Packers 48, Lions 25 — Aaron Rodgers had three touchdown passes while Charles Woodson had a pair of interceptions, one for a touchdown.

Raiders 23, Chiefs 8 — Darren McFadden rushed for a career-best 164 yards and a touchdown on 21 carries.

Titans 24, Bengals 7 — Kerry Collins passed for 128 yards and a touchdown and LenDale White ran for another score.

Panthers 20, Bears 17 — Jonathan Stewart ran Stewart gained 77 yards on 14 carries and for his first two NFL touchdowns.

Bills 20 Jaguars 16 — Trent Edwards completed 20-of-25 passes for 239 yards and one touchdown.

Redskins 29, Saints 24 — Jason Campbell completed 24-of-36 passes for 321 yards and one touchdown.

49ers 33, Seahawks 30 (OT) — Joe Nedney kicked a 40-yard field goal with 10:20 remaining in overtime after missing a 41-yard attempt as time expired, sending the contest into overtime.

Buccaneers 24, Falcons 9 — Earnest Graham ran for 116 yards with a touchdown and Brian Griese threw for 160 yards and a score.

Cardinals 31, Dolphins 10 — Anquan Boldin set a career-high with three touchdown catches, to go along with 140 yards.

Patriots 19, Jets 10 — In his first start in place of the injured Tom Brady, Matt Cassel was an efficient 16-for-23 for 165 yards.

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Sports in brief

MLB The Toronto Blue Jays lost 4-3 to the Boston Red Sox yesterday, which all but eliminates them from the playoff race.

TENNIS Russia lifted the Fed Cup for the fourth time in five seasons yesterday after Svetlana Kuznetsova beat Spanish No. 1 Anabel Medina Garrigues.

RACING Germany's Sebastian Vettel stunned Formula One as the sport's youngest race winner yesterday with an exuberant victory for tiny Toro Rosso at their home Italian Grand Prix.

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SCOREBOARD

MLB

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 4 Toronto 3
Baltimore 7 Minnesota 3
Chicago Sox 4 Detroit 2 (1st gm)
Kansas City 13 Cleveland 3
L.A. Angels 4 Seattle 3
N.Y. Yankees 8 Tampa Bay 4
Oakland 7 Texas 4
Detroit at Chicago White Sox (2nd)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Atlanta 7 N.Y. Mets 4
Cincinnati 2 Arizona 1 (10 ings)
Colorado 1 L.A. Dodgers 0 (10)
Florida 8 Washington 7
Philadelphia 7 Milwaukee 3 (1st)
Pittsburgh 7 St. Louis 2
San Francisco 8 San Diego 6 (10)
Milwaukee at Philadelphia (2nd)
Chicago Cubs vs. Houston

TONIGHT'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:05
Chicago Sox at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05
Boston at Tampa Bay, 7:10
Detroit at Texas, 8:05
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:10

NATIONAL LEAGUE

L.A. Dodgers at Pittsburgh, 7:05
N.Y. Mets at Washington, 7:10
San Diego at Colorado, 8:35
San Francisco at Arizona, 9:40

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Montreal	7	4	0	14
Toronto	4	7	0	8
Winnipeg	3	8	0	6
Hamilton	2	9	0	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Saskatchewan	8	3	0	16
Edmonton	7	4	0	14
Calgary	7	4	0	14
B.C.	6	5	0	12

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Plants, animals endangered

Climate change is predicted to endanger 1 million species of plants and animals by 2050, according to The Live Earth: Global Warming Survival Handbook by David de Rothschild. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Going Green

Save on wardrobe

Looking to save money on your wardrobe — swap and share clothes with friends who have similar tastes and size, according to Greeniology: How To Live Well, Be Green And Make A Difference by Tanya Ha.

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News in brief

PRODUCT The Clorox Company recently introduced environmentally-friendly Green Works™ Dishwashing Liquid. Green Works is made from plant-based ingredients derived from coconuts and lemon oil. The ingredients used in Green Works products are sustainable, non-allergenic and biodegradable. Green Works products are not tested on animals and are packaged in bottles that can be recycled. Green Works™ Dishwashing Liquid will be available in five scents: Original, water lily, simply tangerine, free & clear, and simply lemon. For more information, visit www.greenworks cleaners.com and www.clorox greenworks.ca.

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Election fever is heating up

Get informed about issues

ScienceMatters

David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola

With all the elections coming this fall and winter, global warming is bound to spike up with the increased hot air. South of the border, they're electing a president, and here in Canada we're heading into a federal election.

It would be great if the environment didn't have to be an election issue. If all political parties recognized it's an issue so critical that it should transcend partisan politics, then we could vote for our party of choice based on its fiscal and social policies. The goal should be to convince all political parties to make the environment the top priority rather than to vote for the party with the best environmental record and policies. But the environment is an election issue, and as our situation stands, it should be the top election issue, especially in our upcoming federal election.

"It's vitally important for all Canadians to put the environment at the top of the agenda in this election."

After all, if we keep dragging our heels on environmental protection, our economic and social systems will, at best, face increasing stress from the costs of dealing with environmental health effects and diminishing resources, and, at worst, be moot points.

But it's difficult for voters to cut through all the rhetoric. I can't tell you which party to vote for; I'm not even sure which one I'll vote for! But I can say that it's vitally important for all Canadians to put the environment at the top of the agenda in this election. That means becoming informed about the issues and the various party positions on those issues and asking the candidates some direct questions.

I can tell you what I believe are some of the most important issues. Global warming is at the top of the list. Years of inaction by various governments mean that urgent measures are needed — but it's not a choice between environment and economy. On the contrary, other countries have shown that actions such as shifting from reliance on fossil fuels and other non-renewable energy to renewable sources creates numerous jobs and economic opportunities, as well as reducing carbon emissions that contribute to global warming. I also believe that putting a price on carbon emissions, through measures such as carbon taxes and cap-and-trade systems, is essential and has been shown to be effective in other countries.

If we want democracy to work, we can't just leave it all up to the politicians. Governments are there to serve us, so it's up to us to let them know what is important to us and what we believe they must do to ensure that we continue to enjoy the quality of life that so many have worked to build in this country.

So, get out and vote, but before you do, don't just listen to the candidates — talk to them as well.

I'm sure I'll have more to say as the campaign unfolds. Stay tuned.

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Dr. David T. Suzuki is a Vancouver-based award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.

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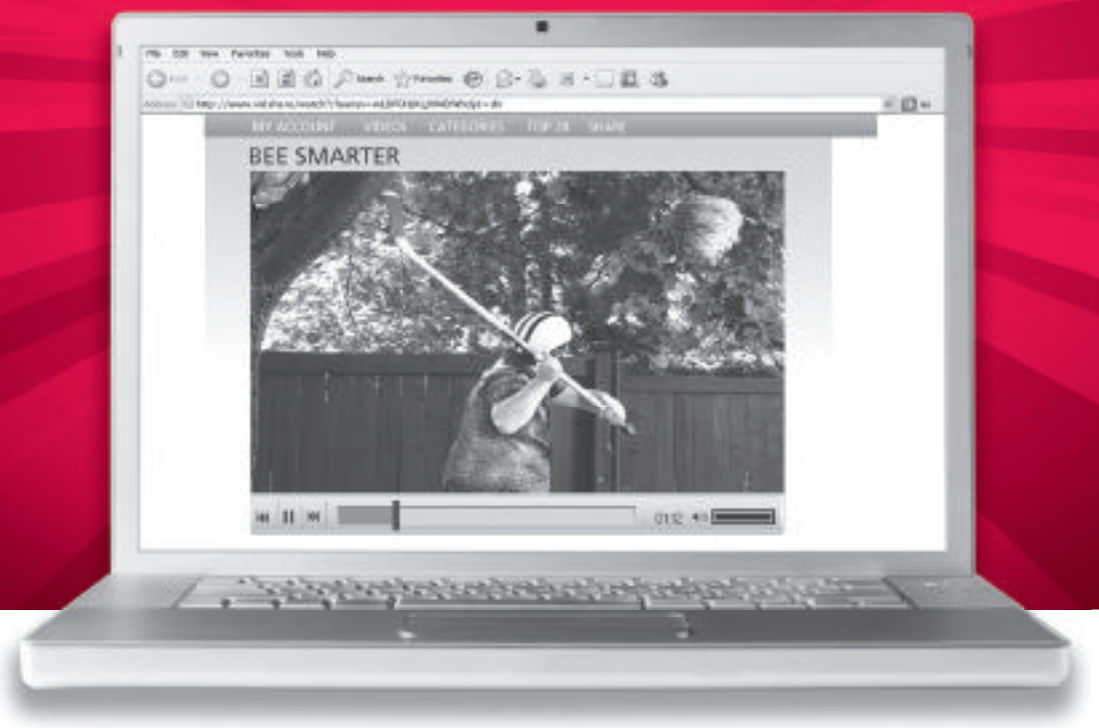

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University of Windsor open $1.5M med school
The University of Windsor officially opened its new $15-million medical school, which is a satellite program of the University of Western Ontario's Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Workology

Anti-intellectualism

The Conservative Party is portraying Liberal leader Stéphane Dion as an out-of-touch, nerdy professor in its election ads, and the use of anti-intellectualism doesn't play well in Canada, according to CAUT president James Turk.
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Swing into an acting job

OddJobs

Diane Peters

If you go out to see a big, touring musical this year — say, the Monty Python inspired Spamalot — keep in mind that every actor mentioned in your program might not be onstage that night. Actors get sick, they pull muscles in dance numbers and they sometimes need a vacation from a nonstop tour.

Lead actors get covered by their understudies. But what about smaller roles? Those jobs get taken care of by swing actors. These masters of multitasking have to know multiple parts and perform them as perfectly as the regular actor.

That's what 25-year-old Graham Bowen is doing for Spamalot, which he joined in April 2007. Bowen knows all the lines, singing lines and dance steps for six ensemble roles in the show. These parts are multiple roles in themselves: the actors switch throughout the show to play as many as five characters like knights, monks and nuns.

Bowen began acting at age nine and moved from Columbus, Ohio, to New York City at age 11. He went to a performing arts high school there and got a break doing Big: The Musical in 1996 and has worked steadily ever since. "I consider myself a triple threat: equal parts dancer, singer and actor."

He was first asked to be a swing for the 2003 Broadway revival of Gypsy. "I'd never done a swing job before, it took a lot of trial and error." He auditioned specifically to be a swing for Spamalot, knowing it would be a challenging job that would never get dull.

He got the job, as well as the assignment of dance caption for the show. (For this job, he's responsible for making sure everyone in the show sticks to the choreography.) At the start of the three-week rehearsal process, Bowen mainly took notes. "It's the swing's job to watch all of those guys and follow every thing that they do." He joined in when the ensemble sang together, and did dance moves off in the wings. He also worked outside of rehearsal time to hone his lines and singing parts.

Swing actors are lit up by spotlights like these while wearing many different outfits.

During the show's run, Bowen and the three other swings show up at the same time as the other actors, even if they're not expected to go on — someone could become unwell at the last minute or get injured during the show. Bowen can go several nights without acting onstage, but he can also play as many as four different roles in one week. "We swings are never sitting on the sidelines for long."

Most of the ensemble actors act as understudies for the lead roles. One night on the tour, a lead actor was out, an ensemble player was on holiday and another took ill. With just two male swing actors, the cast had a major problem. One of the female swings took one of the roles — the one that didn't involve any lifting — and the show went on.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

The Lowdown

Job title: Swing actor
Salary: $70,000 to $90,000 per year
Education/training: Training in acting, dancing and singing
Best Part of the Job: "You get to always be doing something new, it never gets boring."
Worst Part of the Job: "Those nights that you really want to be onstage and you're not out there."

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Another small business myth

"Running a business is easy." It just looks that way. Canadian entrepreneurs typically work 59 hours a week and small business owners endure considerable stress associated with getting, doing and managing their operation. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Start-up businesses prone to many errors

When one decides to start his or her own business, there are four common mistakes they can make. Here they are:

• Being too reliant on one person, typically the business owner.

By relying entirely on one person you are setting yourself up for disaster if he or she gets sick and cannot run the business. You should have trusted partners or skilled employees trained and able to take over in the event of an emergency.

• Not having a proper accounting system in place.

Good bookkeeping is essential to the success of your business. "Hire a capable and effective CPA to assist you and keep you on top of all accounting-related government rules and regulations," says Paul MacDonald, senior vice-president, of Aon.

• Underestimating the financial requirements of the business.

Be honest with yourself about financial requirements. Most entrepreneurs underestimate the required startup capital. If you consider that you are likely going to lose money in the first six months to a year of your new business, you need to ensure that you have arranged for sufficient capital to cover operating losses.

"Most entrepreneurs also underestimate the importance of insuring their business," according to MacDonald. "All entrepreneurs should consider their insurance needs carefully to protect themselves and their business against workplace accidents, theft, property damage and other calamities."

• Not understanding your target market.

Understand everything you can about your customer. Get market research reports on their demographics, preferences, geographic distribution, and disposable income. You need to understand the needs of the market before going ahead with your product or service. During a period of recession it might not be the right time to start a high-end retail operation, but what about credit counselling?

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Myths about biz

• "Entrepreneurs make a lot of money." You may earn less than your employed friends in the first few years, but after that you'll enjoy a much larger earning potential.

• "You can lose everything." Entrepreneurship does carry financial and emotional risks. Smart business owners protect themselves by protecting their personal and business assets and spending less than what they earn.

• "You have to be ruthless to succeed." While that may be true for big business, small business owners make their own rules and typically operate with high levels of integrity, trust, honesty and fairness.

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Crawford new face of Versace

Chace Crawford has reportedly been lined up to be the new face of Versace. The Gossip Girl star is said to be close to signing a deal to replace Grey's Anatomy actor Patrick Dempsey as the face of the fashion label. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Entertainment

Invisible Alba

Actress Jessica Alba is to play a mathematics genius in a new movie, Invisible. Alba won the role after Ugly Betty commitments forced America Ferrera to pull out.

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Twist tops Billboard list

Chubby Checker single named most popular on All-Time Hot 100 chart

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It's a favourite pastime for music junkies everywhere: debating the best recordings of all time. Well, you can stop the arguing because Billboard has the answer — Chubby Checker's version of The Twist.

While it might surprise some that a Beatles tune didn't top Billboard's All-Time Hot 100 chart, which the publication's editors compiled in honour of the mag's 50th anniversary, The Twist was a powerhouse of a song when it was released in 1960.

"It was on the charts for 39 weeks," says Geoff Mayfield, Billboard's director of charts. "And it was the only song to hit No. 1 twice — in 60 and 61."

The Beatles did have one tune in the top 10 — Hey Jude ranked No. 8, while Santana's Smooth, Bobby Darin's Mack The Knife, LeAnn Rimes' How Do I Live and Los Del Rio's Macarena rounded out the top 5.

Mayfield says the Beatles could have charted higher, except for one problem — they were always competing against themselves. "During one week in 1964 they owned every title in the top five," says the Billboard chart guru. "Fewer songs went No. 1 than people realize."

However, the band did top Billboard's All-Time Top Artists chart, with Madonna, Elton John, Elvis Presley and Stevie Wonder trailing closely behind. Topping this list was easy for the Fab Four, they had 20 No. 1 songs in their career and 71 titles landed on the Billboard Hot 100.

But Elvis could have been No. 1, if only the Hot 100 was around eight years earlier. "There's certainly a possibility that he would have topped the All-Time Artists chart," says Mayfield. "He had 108 singles on the Hot 100, but ten of his No. 1 hits launched before our chart did."

To compile the All-Time Hot 100 list, Billboad's staff took a look at all the singles that made the charts in the last 50 years, and assigned weightings based on era, how long a song charted for and what positions it held.

So what can musicphiles learn from this list? "It's a fun snapshot of the songs that succeeded in their era, while the artists list is a view of whose popularity has endured. In order to rank high on the charts you had to more than just a flash in the pan."

Chubby Checker's The Twist has been named the biggest chart hit of all time by Billboard magazine.

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Box office

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theatres:

1. **Burn After Reading:** $19.4 million US
2. **The Family That Preys:** $18 million
3. **Righteous Kill:** $16.5 million
4. **The Women:** $10.1 million
5. **The House Bunny:** $4.3 million
6. **Tropic Thunder :** $4.2 million
7. **The Dark Knight:** $4 million
8. **Bangkok Dangerous:** $2.4 million
9. **Traitor:** $2.1 million
10. **Death Race:** $2 million

REUTERS

Snoop granted Australian visa

MUSIC Australia granted gangsta rapper Snoop Dogg a visa on Friday after public complaints over a planned tour in October, but said he would be required to undergo counselling before arriving Down Under.

Snoop Dogg, whose real name is Cordozar Calvin Broadus Jr., was refused permission to even apply for a visa to enter Australia in 2007 because of his criminal record, sinking plans for him to co-host the MTV Australia Video Music Awards.

Simpsons wins cartoon Emmy

TV The Simpsons once again claimed television's highest honour for a prime-time cartoon Saturday at the Creative Arts Emmy Awards, extending the show's record winning streak.

It marked the 10th time that The Simpsons, airing on the Fox network for 19 seasons as the longest-running comedy series in prime time, was named best half-hour animated show. The latest accolade for the hit cartoon came during a 3 1/2-hour presentation of the 60th annual Creative Arts Emmy Awards. REUTERS

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IN THEATRES SEPTEMBER 19TH

New father figure
Wallace Shawn (The Princess Bride, Clueless) is joining Gossip Girl for a multi-episode arc as Cyrus, father to Serena's new artsy boyfriend Aaron (John Patrick Amedori). EW.COM

Road Home rich, visual journey

The Road **Home**

Author: Rose Tremain
Publisher: Vintage Books
Price: $21.95 (Paperback)

Far from his native Eastern Europe, 42-year-old unemployed migrant Lev is on his way to England in pursuit of work. Leaving his mother and five-year-old daughter behind, Lev expresses how he still hasn't quite grown up, while continuing his struggle to reconcile the death of his wife by leukemia. Winner of the 2008 Orange Broadband Prize for Fiction, The Road Home describes Lev's visual journey in rich detail as he is introduced to a new and very alternative life than he is used to in a vogue and vicious London.

Brian Coulton/for Metro Canada

BookPicks

The Year of Eating **Dangerously**

Author: Tom Parker Bowles
Publisher: St. Martin's Griffin
Price: $16.95 (Paperback)

In a veritable gastronomical atlas, British food critic Tom Parker Bowles (Camilla's son) takes readers on a world journey lead by the writer's adventurous palate. Travelling from his native England through nations in Europe, North America and Asia, Parker Bowles introduces the origins and discovery of non-traditional dishes and delicacies in a work that is as much food criticism as it is equal parts travelogue, history and geography. Parker Bowles not only sinks his teeth into local fare, but into the lives and lessons of farmers and friends.

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Fall season flopping

Intelle**Vision**

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FALLING FAST: The fall TV season has stumbled out of the gate with a lot of not particularly good news about shows that were supposed to take over our lives like food poisoning after a frat house cookout.

Weeks of relentless publicity carried out in spite of a lock-out that prevented critics from previewing the debut episode didn't end up doing the 90210 revival any favours, as the CW show lost almost 30 per cent of its viewers by its second week on the air, hinting that a lot of new shows are likely to lose traction from viewers more curious than committed.

Poor omen #2 is the disappointing turnout for J. J. Abrams' Fringe, which only attracted 9.1 million viewers for its premiere on Fox. "Only" 9.1 million is, of course, a number that has to be put through the executive TV business translator – shows survive on cable for years with a fraction of those numbers, after all – and the indispensable Lisa de Moraes of the Washington Post broke down the Fringe numbers in a column last week.

Fox turned that frown upside down by calling it the most watched network drama premiere in two years, but de Moraes noted the qualifier – that this was only true "excluding premieres following sports and American Idol." Using Fox's fine-tuned logic, that would make Fringe's debut the biggest single TV program audience ever in a month starting with an S, in a week with a hurricane alert, on a night where the governor of Alaska is getting more news coverage than said hurricane, and in the house where the show's set decorator lives.

By comparison, de Moraes points out, Fringe's first night did worse than the 2006 debut of Standoff, the hostage-negotiators-in-love police drama that limped to the end of its 18-episode run but remains unmemorialized on DVD. And since Standoff hit the air two years and four days before Fringe, the latter show can claim its title with an untroubled conscience.

"... (90210) lost almost 30 per cent of its viewers by its second week on the air, hinting that a lot of new shows are likely to lose traction from viewers more curious than committed."

Then de Moraes gets really mean, pointing out that Lost, Abrams' big hit, pulled in 19 million viewers on bottom-ranked ABC four years ago, not number one Fox, adding another four million viewers by its second week. Fringe might top 10 million viewers with its second episode this week, but it would only manage this prodigious feat after lukewarm-to-hostile reviews and by flaunting the "go ahead, impress me" impatience of viewers.

Fox might have more bad news coming compliments another TV creator whose reputation outstrips his track record, with the news that Joss Whedon has shut down production on his new series Dollhouse for two weeks. A TV week story reported that Fox was concerned with how unsympathetic the character played by the show's lead, Eliza Dushku, was coming off in already-complete episodes. Whedon has already shifted the show's pilot to episode 2 and rewrote the premiere; these failures of nerve are being excused as business as usual, but to viewers whose patience is diminishing as their viewing options are increasing, this might mean the fall season is setting itself up for a big, sloppy wet face-plant.

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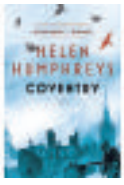
Coventry

Author: Helen Humphreys
Publisher: HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.
Price: $24.95 (Hardcover)



In the title British town, Harriet Marsh is spending one night atop a cathedral as a firewatcher. In 1940's Britain, that means staking out the skies for the inevitable German offensive that will shake Coventry to its core. In story that balances hope and tragedy with Harriet's memories of love and loss, Humphreys evokes strong imagery while maintaining an involving narrative.

Brian Coulton/for Metro Canada

In **brief**

FILM FEST Slumdog Millionaire, a tribute to the Indian metropolis of Mumbai and a story about a dream, won the top award at the Toronto Film Festival Saturday, ending a low-key event where many studios kept their best movies away. The winning film, directed by Britain's Danny Boyle, opens in U.S. theaters Nov. 28. It tells of a teenager from the Indian slums who wins a chance of becoming a millionaire in a television game show. **REUTERS**

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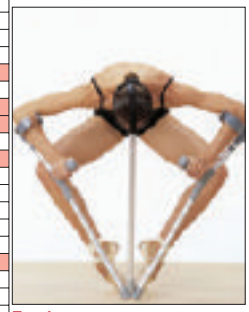
critics'corner

Body Remix - Goldberg Variations
The theme is freedom, and the method is props — lots of them. In this new special, choreographer Marie Chouinard puts 10 dancers through a variety of moves making use of crutches, harnesses, prostheses, ropes and other devices in addition to their own bodies. As you might have guessed from the title, the musical accompaniment is Johann Sebastian Bach's "Goldberg Variations." 9 PM on 40 BVO



Eureka
Here, lizard, lizard ... . In this new episode, Jack and Allison (Colin Ferguson, Salli Richardson-Whitfield) enter a sealed biosphere owned by Global Dynamics when one of its long-term residents goes missing. He isn't dead — just the victim of some weird DNA mutation that is causing him and everyone else living there to turn reptilian. They need to find the culprit — and the cure — before the same fate befalls them in "What About Bob." 10 PM on 50 SPC

Second baby
The Biggest Loser alumni Matt and Suzy Hoover welcomed their second boy on Thursday. Jax Paul, who was born in Seattle joins older brother Rex Timothy. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Anderson to Palin: 'Suck it'

POLITICS Don't expect former Baywatch star Pamela Anderson to support Republican vice-presidential nominee Sarah Palin, the New York Daily News reports.

Anderson, who was in Toronto for a speech railing against the abuse of animals in Hollywood, let loose on the Alaska governor. When Anderson was asked if she saw a recent Newsweek article that included a picture of a bear hide in Palin's office, Anderson took aim at Palin.

"I can't stand her," Anderson told E! News Weekend Canada. "She can suck it!"

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Lohan denies she's marrying Ronson

RELATIONSHIPS Lindsay Lohan has denied reports she is set to wed rumoured girlfriend Samantha Ronson, imdb.com reports.

The actress was allegedly planning to walk down the aisle with the Los Angeles DJ, after Ronson reportedly told party-goers at a recent gig: "By the end of the year, my love will be Mrs. Ronson."

Lohan was also seen sporting a diamond on her left ring finger, fuelling speculation about impending nuptials. "They (reporters) lie. She bought it (the ring) herself. It's an antique ring that she found at an antiques store in NYC," a Lohan rep tells Access Hollywood.

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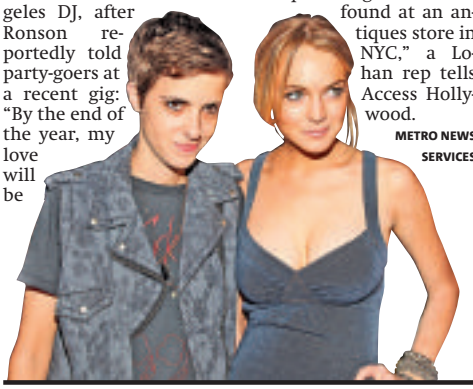

Richie reacts unkindly to fan's photo: Report

OUTBURST Nicole Richie clashed with a fan outside a New York nightclub, according to reports.

The socialite allegedly became angry when a tourist attempted to take her picture as she left an after-party at Country Club, hosted by Mark and Samantha Ronson's fashion designer sister Charlotte as part of New York Fashion Week, imdb.com reports.

New York Post gossip column PageSix reports that Richie took offence and allegedly broke the girl's camera. "A young tourist was trying to take her photo," a source tells PageSix. Richie reportedly shouted, 'I'm not an animal' then jumped over the velvet rope, ripped the camera out of the girl's hand, and smashed it to the ground."

A representative for Richie could not be reached.

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DeGeneres scolds Seacrest, tells him to settle down

PEOPLE Newly-wed Ellen DeGeneres has warned Ryan Seacrest to find a girlfriend soon before he gets too old to settle down, imdb.com reports.

DeGeneres wed her girlfriend Portia De Rossi last month, and now the talkshow host is urging the 33-year-old American Idol presenter to sort out his personal life before it is too late.

Speaking on her Ellen DeGeneres show, she says, "You're going to wait too long and get in a rut being single. You have to let go and be with someone. You're a great guy. You're funny, you're smart. You're getting old."

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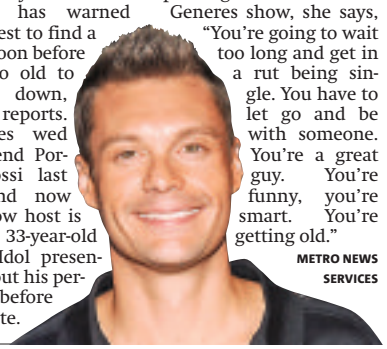

celebrity brief

Fox may prefer male friends

PEOPLE Megan Fox hates actresses, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The Transformers star admits she hasn't got any female friends in the industry and prefers hanging out with her male friends.

"I only had one girlfriend when I was growing up. Most of my friends were boys.

"I was such a tomboy."

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celebrity briefs

I'm no diva, Scarlett says

PEOPLE Scarlett Johansson has denied she is prone to "diva-like" behaviour, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 23-year-old actress has hit out at reports suggesting she is difficult to work with, claiming she doesn't let her success go to her head. "I'm not (a diva). I live a very modest and private lifestyle. Things get crazy with the media, but am I demanding or travel with a huge entourage? No!"

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Butler's wild and crazy times

PEOPLE Gerard Butler was so wild in his youth he was convinced he would die young, imdb.com reports.

Butler gave up alcohol in his mid-20s because he would go off the rails when he was drunk. "I was totally wild," Butler tells British magazine Marie Claire. "I would headbutt walls, punch walls. I definitely had a suicide wish. I once woke up in Paris at 4 a.m., five miles from where I'd been at a party. I had gashes to my head, my face, my arms, and I had blood all over my clothes. To this day, I don't know what happened."

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

At last, **Pam Anderson** has weighed in regarding the U.S. election. **Sarah Palin** "…can suck it," opined the Canadian-born actress. Nice to know that Anderson, with her beauty beginning to fade, has her incisive intelligence and Kennedy School of Government education to fall back on. The issue would appear to be the presence of a bearskin rug seen in Palin's office.

Anderson, a longtime PETA activist, cannot abide cruelty to animals, and it's alleged that Palin forced the bear to watch Pammie's V.I.P. television series before she shot it. I don't know what the problem with Palin's being a hunting enthusiast is. Seems to me that the bear is dead, and unlike current Vice President **Dick Cheney**, she didn't to shoot anyone in the face while hunting it, so full points for marksmanship. **Osama bin Laden**, take note.

Anyway, with the opinions of actuarial math whiz **Good Matt Damon**, and the **Kentucky Colonel Hater** now accounted for, it looks like Hollywood is finally getting back to doing what they do best: unwittingly helping to elect Republicans to the Oval Office. I can only hope that Anderson won't neglect comment on the federal election being waged in the country of her birth.

Pammie, **Stephen Harper**'s on Line 1. He's wearing leather pants, eating from a bucket of extra crispy, and he wants you to tell Canadians exactly what you think of him.

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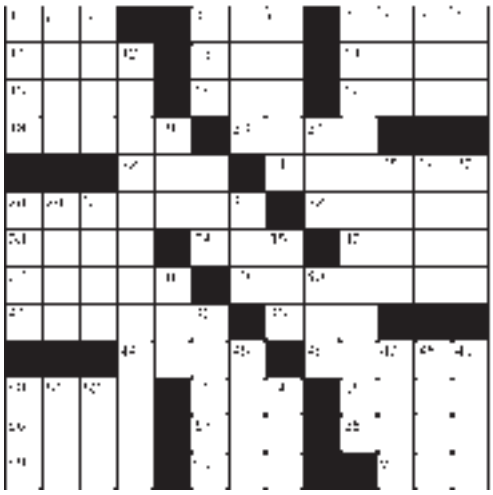
Shelton to play House
House has admitted Samantha Shelton (Monarch Cove) to play a fitness instructor who comes down with a stupefying illness in a November episode. EW.COM

Take Five



Crossword down

1 Amorphous mass
2 Hold the scepter
3 "Yeah, right!"
4 Lamb's mommy
5 Dalai —
6 Still-life subject, often
7 Corporate barrier of a sort
8 Intend
9 Rage
10 Light brown
12 Rose to address the group
19 Obtain
21 Twosome
23 Jewel
25 Gulf War missile
26 Entice
27 Piccadilly statue
28 Jacket
29 Call for silence
30 Rue the run
31 Massage
35 Solidify
38 Pigs' digs
40 Trinity member
42 Slow mover
45 MRI forerunner
47 Toe woe
48 Employ
49 Authentic
50 Burst
51 Raw rocks
52 Meadow
54 Away from WSW

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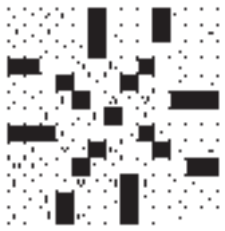
Crossword across

1 Lingerie item
4 Will Ferrell Christmas movie
7 Rate of walking
11 Craving
13 Civil —
14 Old Italian money
15 Hodgepodge
16 Ostrich's cousin
17 Prayer conclusion
18 Confuse
20 Lends a hand
22 St. Bernard's burden
24 Rough struggle
28 Gab
32 Happen
33 "That hurts!"
34 Beer holder
36 14-Across' replacement
37 Bonfire residue
39 Other than
41 Robberies
43 Chatroom chuckling
44 Bobcat
46 Dark hours
50 Horseback pastime
53 Exist
55 Film —
56 Sandwich cookie
57 Author Fleming
58 Mentor
59 Bosc or Bartlett
60 Old soap ingredient
61 Ball prop

previous day's answer



This day in history

SEPT. 15, 1616: The first non-aristocratic, free public school in Europe is opened in Frascati, Italy.
SEPT. 15, 1835: The HMS Beagle, with Charles Darwin aboard, reaches the Galápagos Islands.
SEPT. 15, 1916: World War I: Tanks are used for the first time in battle, at the Battle of the Somme.
SEPT. 15, 1935: Nuremberg Laws deprive German Jews of citizenship. Nazi Germany adopts a new national flag with the swastika.
SEPT. 15, 1944: Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill meet in Quebec as part of the Octagon Conference to discuss strategy.
SEPT. 15, 2004: NHL commissioner Gary Bettman announced a lockout of the players union and cessation of operations by the NHL head office.
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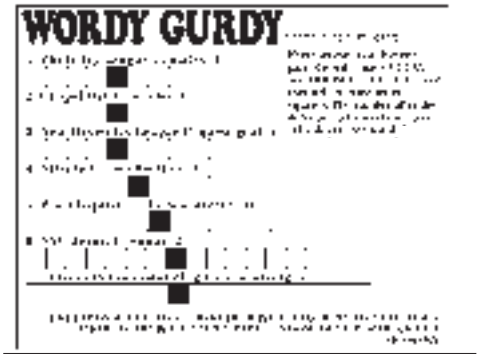

Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A doubtful contender wins a competition. Express your amusement while you play. You'll make a discovery while searching a closet.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
An outburst will cause distress. An easily offended person is too money conscious. You should comply with all reasonable requests.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
It's okay to admit that you were wrong. Don't expect a reply from a manager. Avoid stimulants because your tolerance level has changed.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You'll feel affection for somebody in crisis. Offer the gift of your devoted heart. A wonderful stroke of luck solves an ugly problem.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
Get out and socialize with those who know your secrets. Freaky laughter will concern you. A bimbo will save the day.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Ask a faker to avoid telling all about an illness. Elation erupts when someone is open to understanding. Issues can be understood with clarity.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
There's socializing in store for a visitor. Partners are unexpectedly nurturing after hearing happy news. It's a peak period for your imagination.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24- NOV 22
A disturbance provokes disappointment. Nostalgia develops for the good old days. Make plans to be less disciplined for a while.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23- DEC 21
Being confident will make a difference. A guilty person made a sneaky mistake. Today's gossip frenzy is about a couple.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Everything seems to come with little effort. Grant someone's wish just because you can. A message comes from a puzzling person.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Someone touches your heart with their devotion. Shocking details are found in ordinary events. Concentrate your efforts on a friendly guy.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MAR 20
Your privileges will be acknowledged. Go through the day with your mind focussed on co-operation. Everyone decides to compromise.

Sudoku

2			5		8			
1	6						2	8
	4			1		5		
	5		6	4				9
		4				3		
9				7	2		5	
		6		2			7	
8	1						9	3
			8		4			2

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

5	8	9	3	2	4	6	7	1
2	6	4	7	1	5	3	8	9
1	3	7	6	9	8	5	4	2
8	4	3	5	7	2	9	1	6
6	9	2	8	4	1	7	5	3
7	1	5	9	6	3	4	2	8
3	2	1	4	5	6	8	9	7
9	5	8	1	3	7	2	6	4
4	7	6	2	8	9	1	3	5

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:
Under 13 min . . . . . Genius
13-17 min. . . . . Scholar
17-21 min . . . . . Smart
21-25 min . . . . . Not bad
25+ min . . . . Keep practising

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Afternoon	Tonight	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
60% Showers. 17°	Clear. 6°	Sunny. 14°/7°	Sunny. 18°/3°	Mainly sunny. 19°/15°

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Temperature Normals
High: 20.1°
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Records
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Low: 2.2°/1953

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